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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
KAZUYOSHI SUMIUCHI )  
Application No.: 09/342,926 )  
Filed: June 30, 1999 )  
For: IMAGE PROCESSING )  
APPARATUS AND METHOD :

Examiner: D. Tran  
Group Art Unit: 2624  
September 22, 2003

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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for  
response to the Office Action dated May 20, 2003 for one month from August 20, 2003 to  
Monday, September 22, 2003.

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Submitted herewith is a check for \$110.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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